

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF PETROL PUMPS BY PRIVATE COMPANIES

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any policy / guidelines has been formulated by the Government permitting private sector oil companies to set up petrol / diesel pumps ;

(b) if so, the details in this regard ;

(c) the number of petrol pumps set up by private companies in various parts of the country till date, State-wise ;

(d) whether the Government has received complaints that these companies are not complying with the norms laid down for opening the retail outlets ; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in the matter ?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b) : Government have granted authorization to market transportation fuels to three private companies namely M/s. Reliance Industries Limited (RIL), M/s. Essar Oil Limited (EOL) and M/s. Shell India Marketing Pvt. Limited (SIMPL) as per guidelines laid down in Government Resolution dated the 8th March 2002.

(c) : The details of Retail Outlets (ROs) set up by M/s. RIL and M/s. EOL as on 31st December, 2004 in various States is given in the Annexe. M/s. SIMPL had not set up any ROs as on the 31st December 2004.

(d) & (e) : Government have not received any specific complaint. The setting up of ROs by these companies is being regularly monitored by the Government to ensure that Government guidelines are complied with.

ANNEXE

DETAILS OF RETAIL OUTLETS SET UP BY PRIVATE OIL COMPANIES.

State M/s. Reliance Industries Limited M/s. Essar Oil Limited

Gujarat	59	68
Rajasthan	27	16
Madhya Pradesh	8	16
Chhatisgarh	-	-
Maharashtra	33	66
Goa	-	-
Karnataka	19	11
Andhra Pradesh	35	6
Kerala	2	1
Tamil Nadu	20	7
Pondicherry	-	-
West Bengal	10	-
Orissa	2	-
Bihar	1	-
Jharkhand	2	-
Punjab	20	15
Haryana	6	14
Delhi	-	-
Uttar Pradesh	30	10

TOTAL 274 230

